

IN THE DRAWINGS

Please add new sheet 6 of 6 of the drawings which adds Figures 9 and 10 to show a known prior art configuration referenced in the Background section of the specification.

Replacement sheets of Figures 1 of 6 through 5 of 6 are also included to show the change in the total number of drawing sheets from 5 to 6.

REMARKS

Claims 1-14 stand allowed in the present application and a Notice of Allowance was issued on June 13, 2006. In the accompanying Notice of Allowability, corrected drawings were required in order to show the terminal insert.

In response, the terminal insert has now been shown in newly added Figures 9 and 10, which show the specifically referenced prior art configuration of EP 0 528 233 B1, which was noted in the Background at paragraph [0004] of the Specification, and in the Detailed Description at paragraphs [0034] and [0035]. Figures 9 and 10 specifically correspond to Figures 1 and 8 of EP 0 528 233 B1. As the amendment only shows the admitted prior art, Applicants respectfully submit that no new matter has been introduced into the application by the drawing amendment.

Applicants have also amended paragraphs [0004], [0030] and [0031], and have added new paragraphs [0031.1] and [0031.2] to reference the newly added admitted prior art figures and for consistency.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully requested that the present 37 C.F.R. §1.312 Amendment be entered and that the drawing objection be withdrawn.

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If the Examiner has any questions or there are any issues that are raised by the present amendment, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner contact the undersigned by telephone as soon as possible.

Respectfully submitted,

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